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Readers in the Browning, Glendive and Boulder areas will benefit from new libraries. The Blackfeet Tribe recently received a $157,000+ LSCA Title IV grant from the U.S. Department of Education and is seeking another $100,000 in matching funds to finance a new tribal library to be located at the community college. Construction could begin this month and should be finished by March 1993. A new, improved Glendive Public Library, funded through a $121,377 LSCA II grant, may be ready by April if bidding and remodeling goes as scheduled. And in Boulder, community donations for a new library have reached $115,000 of the $125,000 goal. Groundbreaking and construction are scheduled for this month, and a grand opening is set for January 1992.

Expansion of the online catalog at MSU Libraries, CatTrac, will begin this month thanks to a two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The $245,000 Title IID grant will help improve library service to tribal colleges, three nursing sites, MSU faculty who are County Extension agents and junior high students who participate in MSU's Young Scholars Program. The expanded CatTrac will debut in February 1992 with a toll-free line that will access new databases Agricola (indexing agriculture journal articles) and the General Science Index (citations to 100+ MSU journals). Electronic mail request and fax delivery are also planned. CatTrac is now accessible to anyone with a personal computer, modem and telephone jack.

Broadcasts of this season's ABC Afterschool Specials may be taped off-air and shown in a school or library twice within the first 10 school days from the time of recording. The programs explore contemporary issues of concern to teenagers. The schedule: *Amy and the Angel* (teen suicide), Thursday, Oct. 24, 2 p.m. (MT); *Over the Limit* (honesty, drinking and driving), Thursday, Dec. 5, 2 p.m.; *Don't Touch* (sexual abuse), Thursday, Jan. 16, 2 p.m.; *A Question About Sex* (decision-making), Thursday, Jan. 30, 2 p.m., and *The Gift of Amazing Grace* (self-awareness), Thursday, March 5, 2 p.m. Short bibliographies are available to accompany each program. Call Cathy Siegner at 444-5353 if you want a copy.

The State Library's Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped has received a $1,000 grant from the State Library Commission and the Library Services Advisory Council to help support the summer reading program for visually and/or physically handicapped juvenile readers. The money, from remaining LSCA Title I funds, will be used to create and publicize a bibliography of recorded and braille materials available to these readers and to publicize the program among juvenile readers and the schools. The program will coordinate with and use the same theme as the State Library's regular summer reading program.

The American Library Trustee Association (ALTA) is soliciting nominations for the 1992 Trustee Conference Grant, the Trustee Citation award and the ALTA Major Benefactors Honor Award. Deadline is December 1; for information, contact Sharon Jordan, ALTA executive director, 1-800-545-2433, ext. 2161.

Almeada Fogle, director of the Garfield County Free Library in Jordan, will retire at the end of October after nearly 15 years at the library. Her successor is Linda Van Wagner, formerly a substitute librarian in Big Sandy. Fogle said her retirement plans are to "take it easy."

Eight scholarships to assist in attending graduate library and information science programs for the 1992-93 academic year are available from the American Library Association. Deadlines range from December 16 to April 1, 1992. Call ALA at 1-800-545-2433, ext. 4277, for information. The ALA also has a *Financial Assistance for Library Education* directory available for $1 from SCOLE/ALA, 50 E. Huron, Chicago, IL, 60611.

Six Montana librarians' names were chosen in a drawing by State Librarian Richard Miller and will attend The Future of Rural and Small Public Libraries conference next month in Birmingham, AL. They are: Marilyn Trosper, Polson City Library; Bonnie Williamson, Havre-Hill County Library; Andrea Stensland, Roosevelt County Library (Wolf Point); Patricia McCullum, Drummond Public Library; Kathy Frost, Harlowton Public Library, and Delores Drennan, Miles City Public Library. Costs will be paid by a LSCA Title I grant.

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library closed October 3 to begin moving to its new quarters. Director Marilyn LeBlond asked that no ILL requests be routed to the library during October. The library's new address is 226 W. Broadway, Butte, MT, 59701-9297; phone number is the same (406-723-3361); fax is 406-782-1825. LeBlond said the library will reopen in late October, but no firm date has been announced.

"Your right to know. Librarians make it happen," is the theme for National Library Week, April 5-11, 1992. Any type of library may now apply for the $2,000 Grolier National Library Week Grant by proposing a public awareness campaign using the NLW theme and developing it in cooperation with another library and/or community organization. Proposal deadline is December 1. Guidelines, applications and possible partner organizations are available from the ALA Public Information Office, 1-800-545-2433, ext. 5041.

Judy Meadows, director of the State Law Library, was recently installed as chair of the State, Court and County Division of the American Association of Law Libraries. Members of this division represent nearly 500 federal, state and county law libraries, bar association libraries and special libraries.

The States' Periodicals Index (Montana Index) has printed an index for the 1990 Montana magazines. The Montana magazines indexed are: *Montana Business Quarterly; Montana Magazine; Montana, The Magazine of Western History*; *Montana Outdoors*, and *Western Wildlands.* Also, an index for these same magazines has recently been compiled for 1985-89. Libraries may purchase these indexes for $20 each; send orders to States' Periodicals Index, 1660 Smithville Rd., Havre, MT, 59501.

The following meetings and events are scheduled for OCTOBER/NOVEMBER:

October	**5-6**	**State Library Commission retreat, Helena**
	7	**State Library Commission, Helena**
	11-12	**MLA Public Librarians' Retreat, Helena**
	14	**Columbus Day Holiday**
	17-18	**School educators' meetings (MEA Days)**
	25	**Tamarack Federation, Kalispell**
	25-26	**MLA Public Librarians' Retreat, Miles City**
	31	**Halloween**
	31-Nov. 2	**Mountain Plains Library Association, Phoenix**
November	**11**	**Veterans Day Holiday**
	11-17	**Children's Book Week**
	14	**National Young Reader's Day**
	28	**Thanksgiving Day Holiday**

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